

Present: Randy Hodge, Ann-Marie Chretien, Lynn McManus, Dan Machado, John Graham, Pat Rooney, James Albert, Heidi Tanguay, Greg Ulrich, Chris Pabst, Lisa Lacouture, Simonne Ryder, Rita Ferioli, Zack Lee, Amie Nay, Gregg Farley,

Randy Hodge made a motion to open the monthly meeting at 8:18pm. Seconded by John G.

- **Secretaries Report:** Lynn read the minutes from the June 2016 meeting. Heidi made a motion to accept the June minutes, the motion was seconded by AMC and accepted by all.
- **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's report was read. See treasurer for information about league balance. Lynn made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, it was seconded by Randy and accepted by all.
- **Concession:** Dan reports: Profit stands at \$XX. See Dan for information about snack shack balance.. We discussed concession stock for the upcoming weekend 18u tournament. We have 425 t-shirts left. Amie Nay suggested ordering some smaller sizes for little kids. Dan suggested we use the ConEx box more for storage instead of dumping stuff in snack shack (something we just need to get used to doing). Randy thanked AMC and Pat Chretien for painting the steel doors on snack shack prior to 18u tournament.
- **Tournaments:** Lisa reported for Rob.
 - Coming up this weekend is the 18u tournament that we are hosting. There are 10 teams. The schedules have been done and sent. Directions have been emailed out. Teams are excited as there are not a lot of 18u tournaments. Volunteers are needed 4-6pm on Saturday. T-shirts have been made up and are for sale for \$25. The outfield fencing will be put back in place by the Park Dept by noon on Friday – or our coaches will stay after games on Th night and put up. Randy ordered signs for 4 backstops to number fields and will install those before tournament. Kids from Park Dept will line and drag fields in between games...we are hiring them for this. Two portable toilets will be over near field 2/handicap compliant. Only using 2 upper fields and parking will be open down below if needed. Estimated profit is \$4000-\$7000. Randy is working on a misting tent. Tarps/tents over dugouts as it is very hot.
- **Fundraising:**
 - **Krazy Days** is Aug 5th & 6th. AMC is going to schedule volunteers for our booth and Amie Nay suggested we use volunteer software for this and will set up. We are looking for 5-6 good raffles. We are going to try to get a spot closer to Maria's.
 - **Golf:** John G is working on sponsors and raffles. He will hold a meeting in August....stay tuned.
- **Summer softball:**
 - **Pat (10u):** Undefeated at this time. Girls are doing well. Trying to teach them the right things. Learning to handle both fast and slow pitching. The big tests coming up are Plymouth and EB.
 - **James (12u):** Record is 1-5 thus far. Tough season so far.
 - **Greg (14u):** Record is 6-0 thus far. Season has not been too challenging. There is no slaughter rule in SSSL. We moved girls all around. The competition is not with us. Norwell/Marshfield only competition. Some ideas were discussed about looking at

summer ball as a league next year and possibly leaving SSSL and moving to Hockomock league or another. Chris suggested we look at Cal Ripken or Babe Ruth for possible more competitive tournament play. We want to keep our girls in town but if we enter some of these tournaments, we can keep costs low and have girls on multiple rosters.

- **Randy (18u):** There has been no continuity with many girls being away. Most games have been close.
- **Running up the score:** Randy suggested we need to be careful about running up the score. Discussion was had about the few cases where this happened especially for 14u, and Greg and Chris explained that they worked hard to be creative to keep things under control. They also discussed situation with other coach and other coach wished to continue game for play for their team. James brought up that we really need to re-visit girls being able to move up. We need to figure out whether to do this on a daily basis or for the season. Fairness is important but developing girls to reach their highest potential is also important! We really need to hammer out the best way to do this!
- **Field updates:** Randy would like to see the improvements he has planned done between summer and fall ball. (concrete pad, stairs, etc.) Fields were in good condition after Carnival. Fences going back up for tournament and for any end of year summer games that we may host. Chris/Pat suggested developing the old abandoned SB field in corner behind MECC. They suggested fixing it up and cutting it out for Tball. Possible project for next year. Use of NMS/MHS fields is possible according to Randy if we call Mike Perry or Brian Lynch. We have to prep fields ourselves and can also use for practice. Chris suggested that use of Coyle Cassidy fields is also possible as we have connection with Heather Sargent (Coyle varsity softball coach) as she is an instructor for many of our players and runs clinics/camps that we are involved in.
- **New Business:**
 - **Fall Ball:** There is 1 month left. Heidi sent out blanket email and the coaches need to ask. We need to have things in motion by August meeting.
 - **Sponsor plaques:** League division leaders/coaches/Lynn will deliver.
 - **Jim Braga golf tournament:** Randy made a motion to sponsor a four-some for the JB golf tournament on July 23rd. Lynn seconded the motion. In addition, we will sponsor 2 holes @\$50. Total of \$500.
 - **Lisa:** Idea of community service for HS students: Peer mentor program. Another idea of renting space in the winter to create our own quasi-club facility. Greg and Chris reported that things are in the works for this as they have been looking into it.
 - **Helmet update:** Per Pat: some helmets were sent back. We are re-ordering and they will hopefully be in next week. Next year we will need a lot of new equipment for girls.
- **Monthly meeting closed @ 9:47pm. Motion made by Lynn, seconded by John G. All were in favor.**

Next monthly meeting August 10, 2016 @ 8pm @ Middleboro Elks Club.

Lynn McManus, Secretary